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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the correspondence mailed 02/21/2006 in this application,

Applicant responds as follows:

As required by the examiner, Applicant hereby elects Invention I (Belt Buckle),
claims 1 - 8, with traverse.The elected dependent claims 6 - 8, dependent on elected claim 1 or an
intervening claim, call for a coordinated belt attached to the belt buckle, with claims 7
and 8 calling for a plurality of spaced openings in the belt (claim 7) and the plurality of
spaced openings being formed in a plurality of rows and further including indicating
devices for selective movement in the spaced opening along the belt (claim 8).

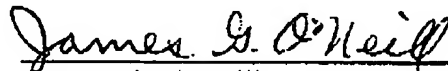
Therefore, since class 2, subclass 338, wherein a belt having a buckle is classified, will have to be searched to properly examine elected dependent claims 6-8, the remaining, non-elected claims 9 - 20, also drawn to a belt having a buckle and indicated by the examiner as being classified in class 2, subclass 338 should, for expediency and more efficient use of resources, also be examined at the same time as the elected invention/claims.

In view of the need for the examiner to search in class 2, subclass 338, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn and all claims examined in this application.

If there are any questions with regard to this response or the application, please contact Applicant's attorney at either the facsimile or telephone number set forth below.

Very truly yours,

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